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Note verbale dated 3 September 2004 from the Permanent Mission of Mauritius to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1533 (2004) concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo and has the honour to refer to paragraph 9 of resolution 1533 (2004) regarding the implementation of paragraph 20 of resolution 1493 (2003) and wishes to communicate the following from the Government of the Republic of Mauritius:

- No evidence of direct military or financial assistance to rebel movements and armed groups in the Democratic Republic of the Congo has been found in Mauritius.
- The provisions of the following enacted domestic legislation prohibit the activities listed in paragraph 20 of resolution 1493 (2004) by Mauritian nationals or through Mauritian entities:
    1. The Financial Intelligence and Anti-Money-Laundering Act
    2. The Prevention of Corruption Act
    3. The Prevention of Terrorism Act
    4. Other provisions of the Criminal Code.
- As a participant in the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme, the Republic of Mauritius has already set up an effective control mechanism on the import and export of rough diamonds. This mechanism prohibits the illegal trade in diamonds in Mauritius.
- The admission of the Democratic Republic of the Congo as a member of the Southern African Regional Police Chiefs Cooperation Organisation, of which Mauritius is also a member, provides an additional mechanism for the implementation of the measures set out in paragraph 20 of resolution 1493 (2003).

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